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For : DISC HEAD SLIDERS HAVING
SPECIALIZED CAVITY
CONFIGURATIONS

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Examiner: Craig A.
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AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed on July
22, 2004. Please amend the above-identified application as
follows:

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12 and 13 to refer to a "slider" instead of a "disc head slider", the applicant respectfully requests that the Examiner examine and allow claims 12 and 13 to include this amendment, as a slight change from the precise wording of the original subject matter the Examiner referred to in the original indication of allowability.

The applicant believes the amendments to the title, figures, and specification, as contained herein, are also fully responsive to the indications of the Office action dated July 22, 2004. The applicant therefore respectfully requests that the Examiner find accordingly and, considering this response and the one dated October 8, 2003, allow pending claims 1, 9-14, 45 and 46.

The Director is authorized to charge any fee deficiency required by this paper or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 23-1123.

Respectfully submitted,

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